

disputes that may arise. We cannot reasonably expect other countries to respect the judgments of U.S. courts if we override the decisions of foreign courts by legislative fiat. In fact, the U.S. State Department has said that this provision would interfere with its efforts to negotiate a new international convention on the enforcement of civil judgments.

The National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) opposes this provision as an unwarranted intrusion on the traditional authority of states to regulate insurance. The NAIC is specifically concerned about the effect this provision could have on the large number of American insurance companies that depend on foreign insurers for insurance and reinsurance coverage.

Mr. Chairman, as I stated earlier, I do support reform of the bankruptcy system, and will cast my vote in favor of this legislation. I am disappointed, however, that this legislation does not do a better job of addressing the concerns I have raised. I am hopeful that those concerns may yet be satisfactorily addressed during the 107th Congress, and I look forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to bring that about.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF DOÑA LOLITA DE LA VEGA AND THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF TEMAS MAGAZINE

#### HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 5, 2001*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Doña Lolita de la Vega, who will be honored by Save Latin America, Inc., and Goya Foods for her great contributions to Spanish language media in the United States.

Lolita Bravo was born in Merruecos, Spain. She attended Sacred Heart School, Ecole des St. Louis des Francais, and the Conservatory of Music of Madrid. Lolita Bravo later married Jose de la Vega, and the couple emigrated to the United States in 1939, where they settled in New York City.

Lolita and Jose are considered pioneers of Spanish Radio. In 1946, they purchased three half hours each week on WWRL to present a La Voz Hispana del Aire, a radio show that voiced the concerns and sentiments of Hispanic Americans. The success of the radio program enabled Lolita and Jose to found two Spanish weekly newspapers. In 1950, they founded Temas, which is currently the oldest Spanish language monthly magazine published in the United States. Temas is now celebrating its 50th anniversary.

When her husband, Jose, died in 1994, Doña Lolita de la Vega assumed all responsibility for directing and editing the magazine. That same year, Dr. Maria Perera, a Cuban educator, joined the magazine. Currently, the two women work hard to meet the challenges of ensuring that readers receive a Spanish language magazine of the highest quality.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Doña Lolita de la Vega for her hard work and dedication in the field of Spanish-language media, and for her exceptional contributions to the Hispanic community.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, March 6, 2001 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

#### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

##### MARCH 7

9:30 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
To hold hearings to examine voting technology reform.

SR-253

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine proposed legislation entitled Better Education For Students and Teachers Act.

SD-430

Indian Affairs

Organizational business meeting to consider its rules of procedure for the 107th Congress.

SR-485

10 a.m.

Finance

To hold hearings to examine tax relief for tax payers.

SD-215

2 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings on intelligence matters.

SH-219

##### MARCH 8

9:30 a.m.

Environment and Public Works

Business meeting to markup S. 350, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to promote the cleanup and reuse of brownfields, to provide financial assistance for brownfields revitalization, to enhance State response programs.

SD-406

Veterans' Affairs

To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Jewish War Veterans, Blinded Veterans Association, the Non-Commissioned Officers Association, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

345, Cannon Building

10 a.m.

Joint Economic Committee

To hold hearings to examine the status of proposed reforms relating to International Monetary Fund financial structure and transparency, IMF interest subsidies, moral hazard, and effectiveness of IMF operations; World Bank financing and effectiveness and IMF programs in Argentina, Turkey, and certain other countries.

Room to be announced

Judiciary

Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.

SD-226

Armed Services

To hold closed hearings to examine current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States.

S-407, Capitol

10:30 a.m.

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine foreign policy issues and the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of State.

SD-419

2 p.m.

Governmental Affairs

Organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses, subcommittee assignments, and rules of procedure for the 107th Congress.

SD-342

##### MARCH 13

9:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings to examine the National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

SD-124

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposed budget for veterans' programs for fiscal year 2002.

SR-418

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings on promoting technology and education issues relating to turbocharging the school buses on the information highway.

SD-226

##### MARCH 14

9:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Defense Subcommittee

To hold closed hearings on defense intelligence matters.

S-407, Capitol

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine drug treatment, education, and prevention programs.

SD-226

Veterans' Affairs

To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the Disabled American Veterans.

345, Cannon Building

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APRIL 3

MAY 1

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings on S. 26, to amend the Department of Energy Authorization Act to authorize the Secretary of Energy to impose interim limitations on the cost of electric energy to protect consumers from unjust and unreasonable prices in the electric energy market; S. 80, to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to order refunds of unjust, unreasonable, unduly discriminatory or preferential rates or charges for electricity, to establish cost-based rates for electricity sold at wholesale in the Western Systems Coordinating Council; and S. 287, to direct the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to impose cost-of-service based rates on sales by public utilities of electric energy at wholesale in the western energy market.

SH-216

10 a.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings to examine issues surrounding nuclear power.

SD-124

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine online entertainment and related copyright law.

SD-226

APRIL 24

10 a.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Bureau of Reclamation, of the Department of the Interior, and Army Corps of Engineers.

SD-124

APRIL 25

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the legal issues surrounding faith based solutions.

SD-226

APRIL 26

2 p.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

SD-124

MARCH 22

10 a.m.

Veterans' Affairs

To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the AMVETS, American Ex-Prisoners of War, Vietnam Veterans of America, Retired Officers Association, and the National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs.

345, Cannon Building

MARCH 27

10:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings on issues relating to Yucca Mountain.

SD-124

10 a.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for certain Department of Energy programs relating to Energy Efficiency Renewable Energy, science, and nuclear issues.

SD-124

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine high technology patents, relating to business methods and the internet.

SD-226

MAY 3

2 p.m.

Appropriations

Energy and Water Development Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for Department of Energy environmental management and the Office of Civilian Radio Active Waste Management.

SD-124

MAY 8

10 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine high technology patents, relating to genetics and biotechnology.

SD-226